

Appl. No. 09/457,847
Atty. Docket No. 7114LS
Amdt. Dated 03/06/07
Reply to Office Action of 11/06/2006
Customer No. 27752

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REMARKS

At the onset, Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for identifying allowable subject matter.

Claim Status

Claims 67 – 71 are pending in the present application. Claims 1 – 66 are cancelled without prejudice. No additional claims fee is believed to be due. Further, no new matter is believed to be added.

The Office Action dated November 6, 2006 at paragraph 5 states: "Claims 39 to 41, 60 and 61 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim." Applicants respectfully submit that new Claims 67 – 71 incorporate the elements of Claims 39 to 41, 60, and 61, respectively, and are not dependent upon any rejected base claims. Therefore, Applicants aver that Claims 67 – 71 recite allowable subject matter and should be allowed.

New independent Claim 67 incorporates the elements of now cancelled Claims 39 which was formerly directly dependent from now cancelled Claim 56.

New dependent Claim 68 incorporates the elements of now cancelled Claim 40 which was formerly directly dependent from now cancelled Claim 39 and indirectly dependent from now cancelled Claim 56.

New dependent Claim 69 incorporates the elements of now cancelled Claim 41 which was formerly directly dependent from now cancelled Claim 40, and indirectly dependent from now cancelled Claims 39 and 56.

New independent Claim 70 incorporates the elements of now cancelled Claims 60 which was formerly directly dependent from now cancelled Claim 56.

New dependent Claim 71 incorporates the elements of now cancelled Claim 61 which was formerly directly dependent from now cancelled Claim 60 and indirectly dependent from now cancelled Claim 56.

All claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner disagree, Applicants respectfully invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned agent for

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Applicants to arrange for a telephonic interview in an effort to expedite the prosecution of this matter.

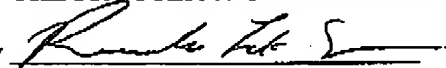
Conclusion

In light of the above remarks, it is requested that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the above mentioned rejections. Early and favorable action in the case is respectfully requested. Should any additional fees be required, please charge such fee to Procter & Gamble Deposit Account No. 16-2480.

Respectfully submitted,

THE PROCTER & GAMBLE COMPANY

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